



Lake Park Villager

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GOVERNMENT CALENDAR

Village government meetings and elections are held at the Community Center and are open to the public.

- Sep 2** Labor Day - Village Office Closed
Sep 10 7:00 PM Village Council Meeting
Sep 17 7:00 PM Planning Board Meeting
Sep 19 6:30 PM Economic Development Commission
Sep 23 6:30 PM Parks & Recreation Commission

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

LAKE PARK POOLS ADMISSION FEES OR PASSES REQUIRED
LABOR DAY OPEN (LAST DAY) 10-8 MON-SAT, NOON-8 SUN
PAUL WOLFFCALE RECREATION COMPLEX

LAKE PARK PUBLIC PARKS OPEN DAWN TO DUSK YEAR ROUND

LAKE PARK TENNIS COURTS LIMIT USE TO 1 HOUR – ALL USERS
PAUL WOLFFCALE RECREATION COMPLEX

LAKE PARK SINGLES – AGES 55+ JEAN FOSTER: 882-3107
SEP 5 – 7:00 PM LAKE PARK COMMUNITY CENTER

FIRST FRIDAY FUN LUNCH MARGARET PHILLIPS: 882-9006
SEP 6 – 12:00 NOON ALL WELCOME MAMA'S MEXICAN CAFE

SAGES PICNIC RSVP: 882-4527
SEP 9 – 1:00 PM CRAFTS & CARDS LAKE PARK COMMUNITY CENTER
SEP 13 – 5:00 PM PICNIC TOWN CENTER GAZEBO
SEP 23 – 11:15 AM LUNCH LAKE PARK COMMUNITY CENTER

HEARTLINK BUSINESS WOMEN NETWORK
SEP 4 – 11:00 AM – 1:30 PM LUNCH RSVP 704-451-2749
SEP 5 – 6:30 TO 9:00 PM DINNER LAKE PARK COMMUNITY CENTER

LAKE PARK VILLAGER NEWSLETTER IN-HOME BY SEP 24
SEP 13 - DEADLINE E-MAIL OR PHONE ITEMS TO SANDY COUGHLIN

GARDEN CLUB DARLENE LECLAIR: 882-8259
SEP 16 – 7:00 PM COMMUNITY CENTER

LAKE PARK BUSINESS LUNCH TOPIC: FALL FESTIVAL BOOTHS
SEP 24 – 12:00 NOON – 1:00 PM MAMA'S MEXICAN CAFE

Kudos to NNO Volunteers

Lake Park's National Night Out, held in Town Center Park on August 6 brought residents, sheriff deputies and vendors together for a memorable evening of music, demonstrations and friendly fun. The Village presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Deputy Richard Haywood for his service to Lake Park. FBI procedures were described for recovering missing children. Over 200 people enjoyed the summer evening and food items donated by Chick-fil-A, Mama's Mexican Café, and Skeeter's Bakery. Special thanks to all the local volunteers, sponsors and to the Hemby Bridge Fire Department who made the evening a success. Extra thanks to Royetta Trull whose coordination championed the event. With the support of the Union County Sheriff's Office, Lake Park is one of seven county municipalities that were registered as participants in the 2013 National Night Out program.

Sidewalk Installations

The Village of Indian Trail is installing sidewalk along Unionville-Indian Trail Road from the Exxon station corner of Independence Highway to Sardis Elementary School. The project started in August and continues in spite of this summer's wet weather.

The Village of Lake Park has no current plans to extend Lake Park Road's sidewalk the 630 feet distance from Kirby Park, along the Village entrance pond to end at Unionville-Indian Trail Road. Preliminary estimates to extend the sidewalk that distance could cost the Village of Lake Park between \$15,000 and \$20,000, an amount that is not included in the 2013-2014 budget year.

Fall Yard Sale Oct 5

Every Spring & Fall the Homeowners Association sponsors a yard sale day in Lake Park. The HOA provides publicity. Residents who wish to participate only need to put out their items on their own property by 7:00 am and clean up at 1:00 pm. By having two sales every year, our neighborhoods can avoid year-round intermittent sales clutter. Lake Park's bi-annual

Back to School Safety

- 🚗 Students ~ Look both ways before leaving curb.
- 🚗 Motorists ~ All lanes must stop for flashing buses.
- 🚗 Motorists ~ Never exceed 25 mph in Lake Park.

Lake Park Village Government Call List

Website: www.lakeparknc.gov

Year = term expires

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Mark Phillips - Council

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Royetta Trull - Council

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Cheri Clark – Clerk/Tax Collector

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Cheryl Bennett, Finance Officer

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Deputy Richard Haywood

Call 911 to report emergency or any suspicious behavior.

For non-emergency: (704) 289-1591

officer@lakeparknc.gov

Economic Development

► **Business Network Lunch** speaker Jason Mink presented “5 Biggest Trends Shaping Your Future” to Lake Park’s business, church and school leaders on August 20. President and founder of **Cognition**, a Charlotte consulting firm, Jason invited questions from Lake Park’s professionals. **Bellaseria Bistro**, 6200 Creff Circle, catered the lunch and **Skeeter’s Bakery** donated dessert. Interior construction has delayed the bakery opening.

► **September 24 Business Network Lunch** will offer Lake Park’s business, church and school leaders the opportunity to coordinate booth participation at the October Fall Festival. The lunch meeting will be at Mama’s Mexican Café from noon – 1:00 PM. Info: call Sandy Coughlin or text John Box at 704-780-4204.

Parks & Recreation

► **Lucas Landscaping** installed Bermuda sod at Veterans’s Pond and installed new sand at the Volley Ball Court at the Paul Wolfcale Recreation Complex in July. 22 yards of mulch at the Founders Park playground will be installed for \$1300 in August.

► **Kiker Tree Service** removed three dead trees and ground a dozen stumps in public areas this month.

► **Aquatic Resources** is treating primrose growth at the Garden Pond and the Russell Park Pond this month and is reviewing the back aerator on Connie’s Pond to determine if it can be repaired.

The sod, sand, mulch, tree service and pond treatments are within the Village budget for Parks and Ponds Maintenance.

yard sales attract heavy visitor traffic to make the designated days more profitable for all participants.

Parking & Emergencies

Motorists parking on any Village streets, alleys and courts are reminded that parked vehicles must leave a clear 12-foot right of way. 12 feet is the minimum required for constant emergency vehicle access. Violations are subject to citations and fines.

Tree & Shrub Pruning

This summer’s heat and frequent rains have produced heavier growth in lawns and gardens. It has also produced several low-hanging branches obstructing sidewalks by curbside trees. Some overgrown shrubbery has begun to block motorists view at street corners and at the ends of driveways. Pedestrians and motorists depend upon residents to trim overgrowth for safety. The Village is responsible for public land, parks and ponds. However, any trees or shrubs between the street and a private home are not on public property and are to be maintained by the homeowner.

See Something?

Say Something! Our deputies patrol 15 miles of Lake Park roads and all 11 neighborhoods yet cannot be everywhere at once. Everyone’s eyes and ears are important so speak up whenever you see suspicious behavior. 5 flags were stolen from the Clocktower flag poles on July 19 at a replacement cost of \$400. It might have been prevented if anyone had been aware and alerted 911 to the senseless mischief.

Planning Board Training

Benchmark provided training on legislative duties associated with the Unified Development Ordinance for Village Council and reviewed procedural duties with the Planning Board and the Board of Adjustments in a joint session on July 16.

Stormwater Guidance

- Remove standing water to prevent mosquitoes.
- No debris is allowed in storm drains or ponds.
- Avoid obstructions to natural drainage flow.
- Street drain clogged? Clear it or call Cheri Clark.

Property Taxes

Lake Park tax bills were mailed to all property owners in August. Call Village Clerk Cheri Clark if you did not receive your bill.